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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 979]

Grant of Authority; Establishment of a Foreign-Trade Zone Kodiak Island, Alaska

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) adopts the following Order:

Whereas, by an Act of Congress approved June 18, 1934, an Act "To provide for the establishment of foreign-trade zones in ports of entry of the United States, to expedite and encourage foreign commerce, and for other purposes," as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u) (the Act), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) is authorized to grant to qualified corporations the privilege of establishing foreign-trade zones in or adjacent to U.S. Customs ports of entry;

Whereas, Kodiak Island Borough (the Grantee), an Alaskan municipal corporation, has made application to the Board (FTZ Docket 50-95, 60 FR 47547, 9/13/95), requesting the establishment of a foreign-trade zone at sites on Kodiak Island, Alaska, adjacent to the Kodiak Customs port of entry;

Whereas, notice inviting public comment has been given in the **Federal Register**; and,

Whereas, the Board adopts the findings and recommendations of the examiner's report and finds that the requirements of the Act and the Board's regulations are satisfied, and that approval of the application is in the public interest;

Now, therefore, the Board hereby grants to the Grantee the privilege of establishing a foreign-trade zone, designated on the records of the Board as Foreign-Trade Zone No. 232, at the sites described in the application,

subject to the Act and the Board's regulations, including Section 400.28, and subject to the standard 2,000-acre activation limit.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 26th day of May 1998.

Foreign-Trade Zones Board.

William M. Daley,

Secretary of Commerce, Chairman and Executive Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 982]

Expansion of Foreign-Trade Zone 168; Dallas/Fort Worth, Texas, Area

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a-81u), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) adopts the following Order:

Whereas, an application from the Dallas/Fort Worth Maquila Trade Development Corporation, grantee of Foreign-Trade Zone No. 168, for authority to expand its general-purpose zone to include two sites in Gainesville (Cooke County), Texas, adjacent to the Dallas/Fort Worth Customs port of entry, was filed by the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board on June 27, 1997 (Docket 56-97, 62 FR 36487, 7/8/97);

Whereas, notice inviting public comment was given in the **Federal Register** and the application has been processed pursuant to the FTZ Act and the Board's regulations; and,

Whereas, the Board has found that the requirements of the Act and the regulations are satisfied, and that the proposal is in the public interest;

Now, therefore, the Board hereby orders:

The grantee is authorized to expand its zone as requested in the application, subject to the Act and the Board's regulations, including Section 400.28.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 28th day of May 1998.

Richard Moreland,

Acting Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Import Administration, Alternate Chairman, Foreign-Trade Zones Board.

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